

# Who can apply for this program?

Check the boxes below to see if you may qualify for this program:

I am...

- 15 – 29 years old
- Indigenous, First Nations or Métis heritage
- A Canadian citizen or permanent resident
- Legally entitled to work in Canada
- Living in BC
- Not a full-time student
- Not actively participating in another provincially funded program
- Precariously employed or unemployed

## What supports are available?

Upon acceptance into this program, students receive the following supports:

- » Tuition, fees and books are fully covered
- » Laptops are provided for virtual class participation
- » Weekly training wages are provided (full participation is required)
- » Transportation, food cards or childcare subsidies are provided as needed
- » Access to CNC Student Services (Academic Advising, Health & Wellness, Counselling, Aboriginal Advising, Accessibility)
- » Support and guidance from an LKW Program Coach as needed

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# LaKles Way-hut: Business Start-Up for Indigenous Youth

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## What is this program about?

If you're a young Indigenous person with a small business idea or a passion for entrepreneurship, this is the program for you! The LaKles Way-hut: Business Start-up for Indigenous Youth (*LKW*) is a program created specifically for indigenous youth who want to learn about starting their own businesses.

The LaKles Way-Hut program is offered through the College of New Caledonia (*CNC*) in Prince George, Mackenzie, Burns Lake, Vanderhoof and Fort St. James. The program runs for a duration of 11 weeks, beginning January 17, 2022 and concluding March 31, 2022. Courses involve both in-class and virtual instruction which you will attend alongside fellow local and regional participants.

Upon completion of this program, you will not only be equipped with the skills, knowledge and experience to start your own small business, but you will have also obtained greater strength and confidence in yourself as an individual.

### What does “LaKles Way-hut” mean?

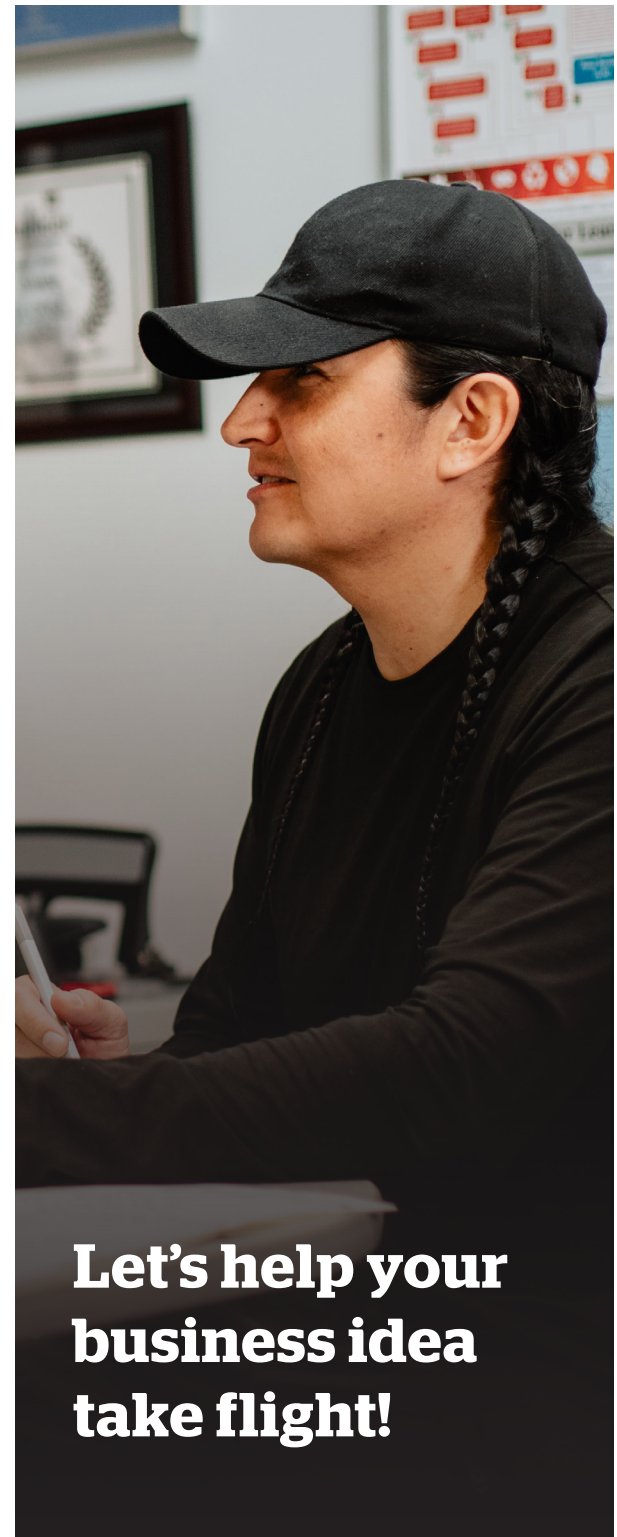
LaKles Way-hut (*la'-kles veh-h'ut*) comes from the Chinook Language that was formally used as a trade language in the Pacific Northwest region of North America. It is thought to have originated from the Northwest Coast, especially from the Chinook and Nuu-chah-nulth peoples.

LaKles Way-hut means “Grease Trail” in Chinook Language. The Grease Trails were routes from what are known today as the BC interior to the Pacific Coast. These trails have supported a thriving trade economy between nations. CNC chose this name to honour the entrepreneurial spirit of the First Nations people who have thrived for millennia.

## What courses are included in the program?

- » Cultural Awareness Training
- » Essential Skills
- » Indigenous Business Course
- » Life Skills
- » Management Skills for Supervisors
- » Marketing for Small Businesses
- » On-the-job/Practicum Placements
- » Occupational Skills Training, such as First Aid, Food Safe, First Host, Respect in the Workplace

**While working through your courses, you will connect with Elders and community members who will share their insights and experiences in starting their own businesses within your local community. You will also be exposed to guest speakers, mentors and work place experience supervisors who will aid in bringing your business ventures to life!**



**Let's help your business idea take flight!**